



Charlotte Louise Harris

September 8, 1927 - December 11, 2015

Charlotte Louise Harris departed this life on December 11, 2015. She had spent virtually her entire life as a resident of Deshler, Ohio. Prior to her retirement a few years ago, she worked as a beautician. Until incapacitated by a stroke in March 2014, Charlotte also was regularly in attendance at polka dances at Deshler's Bavarian Haus. In fact, the last public event she attended was a dance at the Bavarian Haus the night before she had her stroke.

Charlotte came into the world on September 8, 1927, the youngest child of Emil and Anna (Hoops) Rosebrook. She never knew her father, since he died several months before her birth. Her mother raised Charlotte and her four siblings as a single parent during the Depression. Like many residents of rural Henry County, Ohio in those days, Charlotte grew up speaking German at home. It wasn't until she went to school that she began to learn English.

Anna's family was very musical, and Charlotte learned at an early age to play the piano and the button box accordion.

Although she loved to talk, she only gave one speech in her life, and that was at graduation ceremonies for the Deshler High School class of 1946, for which she was the valedictorian. It was in high school that she met the love of her life - a trumpet player and Deshler High basketball whiz named Kenneth (Dale) Harris. Dale proposed to her on St. Patrick's Day, 1947, and they were married on October 31, 1948 at Peace Lutheran Church, of rural Deshler.

A family soon followed, with the birth in October 1949 of son Steven. She and Dale were blessed with three more sons: Kent (1954), Brian (1957) and Todd

(1964). Dale - her husband of 59 years - son, Brian; great-granddaughter, Nature; sister, Lillian Massmann; and two brothers, Andrew and Oren Rosebrook passed on before Charlotte.

Family was always at the center of Charlotte's life. In addition to sons Steven, Kent and Todd, she is survived by four loving daughters-in-law, Ann; Sherrie; Anna Marie; Sherry; 14 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and sister, Ellen Petersen. She will be deeply missed, but her loving spirit survives in remaining family.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Deshler with Rev. James Wenger officiating. Interment will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Deshler.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. on Monday at Rodenberger Funeral Home, Deshler and from 10-11 a.m. Tuesday prior to the services at the church.
www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **14**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Napoleon Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Deb (Hill) Mendieta lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



Deb (Hill) Mendieta - December 16, 2015 at 01:43 AM

DM

Charlotte was my church choir-mate and long-time neighbor from down the road. We had some fun times and she was always happy and friendly. Sending love and prayers to Steve, Kent, and Todd and your families. Deb (Hill) Mendieta

Deb (Hill) Mendieta - December 16, 2015 at 01:47 AM

KL

“ *So sorry for the loss of your mother. God give you peace. Kathy & Steve Lieb*

Kathy & Steve Lieb - December 15, 2015 at 09:49 AM

SH

“ *Steve Hill lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



Steve Hill - December 14, 2015 at 07:33 PM

SH

Charlotte was the sweetest neighbor you could ever imagine. I have fond memories palling around with Brian at their house and the awesome orange toast she lovingly made for us numerous times. Always kind and caring. Prayers to Steve, Kent, Todd and families.

Steve Hill - December 14, 2015 at 07:55 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charlotte Louise Harris.



December 14, 2015 at 05:40 PM

JN

“ I had the joy of knowing Charlotte when I worked for a podiatry office in BG - she was a beautiful, sweet lady, always smiling & laughing - Please accept my sympathy - God bless you all!! Jeanne Neuman

Jeanne Neuman - December 14, 2015 at 08:14 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Charlotte Louise Harris.



December 13, 2015 at 05:10 PM

DC

“ *DONNA COX lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



DONNA COX - December 13, 2015 at 02:48 PM

LC

“ *Laura Cox lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



Laura Cox - December 13, 2015 at 12:13 PM

DH

“ *Mrs Harris always had a kind word of encouragement. Her love for her family was so evident. She was so proud of each accomplishment and performance. The talent in this family is inspiring to me. I am so sorry for this loss but her love and legacy continues in you all. May God comfort and sustain you all. Be comforted by the reunion in heaven.*



Dora Harris-Buenger - December 13, 2015 at 10:06 AM

MM

“ *Mike And Joan Meyer lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



Mike and Joan Meyer - December 13, 2015 at 08:32 AM

PS

“ *Patty Sugg lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



Patty Sugg - December 13, 2015 at 08:15 AM

DH

“ *Grandma Harris was a beautiful example of servanthood. Many comforting days at her house with good food, fresh popcorn, and yummy cutout cookies (which I am grateful for the recipe she shared). She also taught me how to make homemade noodles:)*

*Love,
Dee Dee*

Dee Dee Harris - December 13, 2015 at 07:45 AM



“ *Laura Roof McCance lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



Laura Roof McCance - December 12, 2015 at 10:42 PM



“ *Anna Newell lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



Anna Newell - December 12, 2015 at 10:02 PM

PS

What a sweet and caring lady your mother was, she will be missed, Love chatting with her, Keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Patty Sugg - December 13, 2015 at 08:16 AM

JS

“ *Jennifer And Ed Stacy lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



Jennifer and Ed Stacy - December 12, 2015 at 06:41 PM

JF

“ *JIM AND MIRANDA HOOPS FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Louise Harris*



JIM AND MIRANDA HOOPS FAMILY - December 12, 2015 at 07:56 AM